How is the Delaware State Historic Preservation Office involved in archaeology?

- maintains the inventory of all historic properties, including archaeological sites
- * assigns site numbers to newly reported sites
- ★ maintains a library of archaeological reports
- * sponsors or writes National Register nominations for significant sites
- * advises agencies on locating, testing, preserving, and/or excavating sites as part of project planning
- * administers the Unmarked Human Remains law, and advises individuals, businesses, and agencies on identifying, excavating, and appropriately relocating remains accidentally discovered
- provides talks and exhibits on archaeology to community groups and events

How are other state agencies involved in archaeology?

★ Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Cultural Heritage Section:

Locates and researches archaeological sites on DNREC-owned lands Conducts the Time Travelers program, training volunteers in archaeology Helps other DNREC agencies preserve or avoid sites while carrying out other activities

Develops programs for school groups on archaeology in the State Parks

★ Department of Transportation, Location Studies Section: Consults with the DE SHPO about projects that could damage sites Hires consultants to locate, test, and, if necessary, excavate sites in the way of road or other projects

Publicizes the results of archaeological studies

Provides opportunities for the public to see sites being excavated and to talk to or volunteer with archaeologists

Sponsors talks to school and community groups about archaeology

★ Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs, Delaware State Museums:

Maintains the Delaware Archaeological Collections, with the artifacts, field notes, drawings and photographs relating to sites excavated in Delaware

Conducts archaeological tests and excavations at state-owned museums Researches archaeological topics

Provides talks to school and community groups about archaeology